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## Accessibility Notice for Windows 7 Clients

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### Summary

Oracle has identified and addressed the 508 accessibility issues encountered when using assistive technology with Skillsoft courses running on Windows 7.

An updated Java Access Bridge (JAB) that fixes these problems was released to the general public by Oracle on January 22, 2014 as part of an early-access release of Oracle JRE 1.7.0\_60. (Oracle has targeted May for the standard release of JRE 1.7.0\_60.)

Skillsoft has completed testing our content with JRE 1.7.0\_60 and SCP 7.9 on Windows 7. Skillsoft testing confirms that the previous 508 accessibility issues have been resolved.

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### Recommended Action

Customers should download the early-access release JRE 1.7.0\_60 and install the JRE onto desktops used for accessibility. Use the following steps:

1. Go to <https://jdk7.java.net/download.html>
2. Select the "Accept License Agreement" radio button.
3. Select the appropriate platform (e.g., Windows 32 bit exe – JRE).
4. Once downloaded, run the JRE as normal to install.
5. Post installation you can visit <https://www.java.com/en/download/installed.jsp> to verify the new Java version (or run "java -version" from the Windows command line prompt).
6. To enable the Java Access Bridge\*:
  - At the Ease Of Access control panel on Windows 7 select "Use the computer without a display". In the "Other programs installed" section, select the check box to "Enable Java Access Bridge" and apply.

#### Or

- Run the following command from the Windows command prompt:  
`%JRE_HOME%\bin\jabswitch -enable`
7. Restart your Assistive Technology software and Java application.

*\*Referenced in the following guide:*

[http://docs.oracle.com/javase/7/docs/technotes/guides/access/enable\\_and\\_test.html](http://docs.oracle.com/javase/7/docs/technotes/guides/access/enable_and_test.html)

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### Additional Information

Oracle completed their Quality Assurance (QA) testing before making JRE\_60 available to the public as an early-access release. Additionally, Skillsoft's extensive testing with JRE\_60 did not identify any performance issues or concerns.

Skillsoft customers who wish to leverage JRE \_60 today can download and install the JRE specifically to just those workstations using assistive technologies. Oracle's release of JRE\_60 will be distributed through the usual channels this May.

For technical support email [support@skillsoft.com](mailto:support@skillsoft.com) or call **1-866-SKIL-HELP (1-866-754-5435)**.